

**RE: Excel spread sheet for preferred model?**

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See attached word document

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Subject: RE: Excel spread sheet for preferred model?

Bill,

in your bootstrap simulations, it is clear that parameter a has bi-modal

distribution (with large values of a leading to practically cancellation

of CE in reduced model) and this causes BMD to have corresponding bimodal distribution with this smaller mode having all ridiculously small BMDs that give rise to very low 5th percentile. I wonder what in

your replications of the data

creates such an abnormal fit. If you retained replications it may be

beneficial to look at this replications.

On another subject. yesterday's write-up seems to emphasize importance

of latency and inclusion of 1980 data. How this squares with only 2 cases with 1980 data having very low latencies, beyond what biologically is considered as a time needed to develop plagues?

Thanks,

Leonid

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Paul and Leonid

In the e-mail I sent last night, I did not write out the full equation

for the plateau term.

Here is the full equation:

Plateau =  $\text{MIN}[1, \text{bkg} + (1 - \text{bkg}) * (L/k1)^3]$

This function is important because the plateau must be equal to or greater than bkg, and less than or equal to 1. Otherwise, the resulting

probability may be less than zero or greater than 1.

Remember, we have been treating the bkg term as a fixed constant (0.01),

not a fitting parameter.

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Subject: Excel spread sheet for preferred model?

Hi Bob,

We appreciated getting the new R8 modeling results through Helen. One

thing my staff wanted to do was implement your preferred model in SAS

for confirmation purposes. Krista Christensen has started to do that,

but has needed some further information.

Would it be possible to get an excel spread sheet for the current preferred model (showing parameter estimates, ect) such as we had

for  
your earlier modeling.

Thanks,

Paul  - Leonid.doc